

OLD PERU FOUNDRY
Peru, Miami County, IN
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Site Location and Description

This site is located at the corner of Harrison Avenue and State Road 19 in Peru.

Zip Code: 46970

Site Uses and Past Activities

This site was used as a foundry.

Contaminants and Impacts

A Preliminary Assessment (PA) and subsequent Screening Site Investigation (SSI) were conducted for this site in 1993 by IDEM for the US EPA. Data results for solids indicated moderate on-site contamination with heavy metals and phenolic compounds, as would be expected from the past use of the facility as a foundry. The only level of contamination found that may be of concern is the lead concentration in one on-site soil sample at a dry weight concentration of 1000 parts per million (ppm). The current Voluntary Remediation Program health-based level for lead in soil is 1000 ppm for non-residential properties.

The SSI chemical analyses for waters do not indicate significant contamination in the groundwater samples.

Lead Agency

IDEM.

Community Concerns

None specified.

Actions Taken

IDEM issued a conditional Comfort Letter in June 1999 for this site. The letter addressed liability issues and should assist the City of Peru with responsible brownfields redevelopment. Any comfort provided by this letter will extend as long as the property remains non-residential. In addition, the site must be adequately secured (e.g., fence with locking gate) or surface soils must be properly removed before redevelopment occurs.



Current Status

IDEM does not plan to take any further action at the property unless and until the conditions at the property should change or IDEM later discovers the reports were inaccurate concerning the potential contamination at the property. The City of Peru and other stakeholders should proceed with redevelopment.

Future Actions

No further IDEM actions are planned at this time.

Cost Estimates

Comfort Letters are provided at no cost to the recipient.

For More Information

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